## Justice Reinvestment Local Government Commission



**Location:** Virtual Meeting Access - <u>meet.google.com/rys-ozwh-upg</u>

**Date:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

## **Agenda**

- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Justice Reinvestment Initiative Overview and 2022 Strategy
- Performance Incentive Grant Fund
  - Goals and Objectives
  - Funding Priority Areas
  - Needs and Gaps at the Local Level
- Local Commission Outreach and Education
- Open Discussion
- Next Steps

Pretrial Population - COVID has stopped court and made things slow; by the time they get to trial they have time served and they're out the door - hopefully we can get them out the door. Mentioned pretrial funding - something JRA could do is to try to develop standardization of process across the state so that regardless of what jurisdiction is in, the pretrial service/release goes is consistent from one to the next to the next. Resource guide? Standardizing across Maryland so there is consistency on who is being recommended for pretrial release.

Re: MOUD programs, if we were to get an email - members once a month - any ideas for the next meeting? It will be interesting to discuss this issue or that issue. Legislation coming up to discuss within the group setting. Get membership feedback.

Other thing that is key to JRA - everyone is inundated with mental health problems. so many people incarcareted sit for extended period of time because of the bed spaces; look at possible options state-wide - every warden says there's more and more of these folks who are 24-hour day behavioral problems doing all of the worst things you could imagine. elevating that to a priority - put more beds together throughout the state to put them where they can get actual help. incarceration is cruel.

MDH level - given monthly reports about 8505 and 8507 to local commission.

big piece of JRA - treatment beds for people who have addiction issues. want more people to have treatement but need to come up with marker that says we don't fund this forever because at what point do we assess the program.

lisa welch - notification processes about releases. sent letters to people at MDH in charge of facilities asking about what kind of policies and procedures are in place to let the sentencing judge know what's going on - some of the facilities never get information for at least four people. when looking at facilities in terms of efficacy, someone needs to be accountable for something like that.

is there a list of what is currently funded through the PIGF. Lisa - very little in those areas. Garrett County.

keep in back of minds - juveniles - the strange piece in the room to manage that in facilities.

LGBTQ community - need to think in terms of how these people are handled in terms of populations.